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Hon. Miriam G. Cedarbaum
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Hon. Miriam G. Cedarbaum,

My name is Michael Walsh and I am writing to you about my father Stephen Walsh. He has been my father for 45 years now and is the Grandfather to my 2 amazing children; [redacted] age 16 and [redacted] age 14. Over my life my father has been an amazing role model to me in business and in my personal life. As a child he coached many of my little league baseball games. Even when he was growing his business in the 70's he still would make time in his day to stop what he was doing and come help with practice or be there to coach my games. When I went away to boarding school for High School, he would travel the hour and a half drive upstate many times to come watch me play sports or just take me out to dinner. As life went on and I would move around the country for different jobs, we would always make time to talk or see each other.

In 2001, I decided to move my family back to Long Island so I could be closer to my father and let me children grow up around their Grandfather. Over this time he would help me mature into a better businessman and guide me to build my business, which I have now had for over 10 years. I would have to say that my business would not be successful today if it wasn't for my father.

Over our years together I have seen my father help many people and do great things in the community. He started the Long Island Alzheimer's Foundation, which raised millions of dollars to help search for a cure for this horrible disease. He has always been there for any friend when it comes to a charity or a good cause.

Over the last year and a half I really have seen a change in my Dad. He started going to Alcoholic Anonymous meetings and it has changed his life around. He goes to 2 to 3 meetings a day, has made some amazing new friends and seems to have a new view on life. He has mentored many young and old people over this time to help them beat this horrible disease. He has also told me how amazing it has been to go and talk to inmates at Rikers Island. I truly believe this has been one of the most life changing and amazing experiences in his 70 years.

I know my Dad regrets what has happened with his criminal activity and he is ready to deal with whatever is to come ahead of him. I strongly feel that sending him away is not the right thing to do and would have a negative impact on his mother, children, grandchildren and all his friends. He is a changed man since all of this has been going on for 5 and a half years now. He sees how to live life to the fullest with no money anymore. I lost my mother when I was 19 years old and I would like to have my father be here for me and my kids. I need him to continue guiding me to become a better father, businessman and person.

I respectfully request your leniency when it comes to incarcerating my father.

Sincerely,

Michael Walsh

Exhibit 13

Michael S. Purzycki
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Wilmington, Delaware [redacted]

June 3, 2014

Honorable Miriam G. Cedarbaum
United States District Judge
Southern District of New York
Daniel Patrick Moynihan
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Dear Judge Cedarbaum,

I am writing on behalf of Stephen Walsh who will appear before Your Honor for sentencing. I urge the court to consider leniency in imposing a sentence.

Since you have no reason to know who is writing this letter, I would like to introduce myself. I am the Executive Director of the Riverfront Development Corporation of Delaware, a quasi-public agency responsible for the redevelopment of Wilmington Delaware's industrial riverfront. Perhaps more to the point of this letter, I am Chairman of the Wilmington Hope Commission, a non-profit agency dedicated to curbing violence among youth in the inner city of Wilmington. We have recently opened a ten thousand square foot one stop services facility where men coming out of prison will receive the support necessary for successful re-integration into our community. I am a member of the Wilmington Housing Partnership and former president of the board of Big Brothers Big Sisters of Delaware. I have been a member of the Delaware Bar since 1980 and served in elective office for ten years.

I have known Steve Walsh for over five years, through a long term friendship we share with Peter O'Rourke, a friend since college. Through Pete, Steve and I have become good friends. I have found him to be a most likeable and agreeable person who has a genuine generosity of spirit. He displays no arrogance or resentment about his circumstances. He seems to shoulder full responsibility for what has occurred and has been more than chastened by these events.

In my past experience as a practicing attorney, I find many individuals seek redemption at the most convenient times- usually right before sentencing. What I would like to convey to Your Honor, is that I have always been struck by the sincerity of Steve's work with Alcoholics Anonymous, when it was not in any way apparent that "sentencing" was a foregone conclusion. His dedication to helping others deal with the addictions in their lives has been an inspiration. He has the satisfied mind of someone who is doing good with his life and, come what may, he has found a road to personal fulfillment.

I am aware that this is not a good time to have punishment assessed while being a member of the financial classes. And I am certainly in no position to comment on Steve's past behavior. But I can suggest that in my estimation, Steve Walsh is not the kind of unrepentant self-aggrandizer whose demeanor or conduct begs for punishment. He is a person who reflects humility in his daily living and whose contribution to his community will be missed should he be incarcerated.

I respectfully ask the court to consider the many positive elements in Steve's life in imposing sentence.

Sincerely,

Michael S. Purzycki

Exhibit 14

June 4, 2014

Hon. Miriam G. Cedarbaum
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Southern District of New York
Daniel Patrick Moynihan
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Dear Honorable Judge Cedarbaum,

It is with a very heavy heart that I am writing this most sincere letter to you regarding my brother Stephen Walsh. I have been his younger sister Barbara for 64 years.

Through the years, my brother and I have maintained a close relationship as we both have resided on Long Island, New York. We have watched as we both witnessed each other get married, raise our children, celebrate family occasions, and be there for each other when always needed. Stephen was always there for me. When I was younger, I was diagnosed with Multiple Sclerosis and Stephen made sure that I got proper treatment. I was so scared and his love, warmth and support comforted me and helped through a very difficult time in my life.

I have always admired my brother for his strength and abiding love for my parents and my sister. He has always been a leader and the main patriarch of our family. My Dad passed years ago but Stephen's love and devotion to my Mom over the years has been unwavering. My Mom will be 89 in June and one can only imagine how difficult this situation with Stephen has been for her. When I was a little girl, I always idolized my brother because he was so popular and he was such an amazing athlete. Although that is still so true, I now, as an adult sister, realize how much respect and love I have for him. In addition to being a great Dad to his three children, he is a devoted and loving grandfather of two. I have been so proud of Stephen and his involvement with Alcoholics Anonymous. Not only has this group helped him stay sober, but he reaches out continually to help those who need guidance and support whether it be as a speaker, mentor, or a friend. Commitment and loyalty to the Alzheimer's Foundation has also been yet another one of my brothers amazing accomplishments.

Every day of my brother's life he regrets what has happened and what he has imposed on others. He has been trying endlessly to move on with his life in a positive direction. I respectively request the court for mercy and leniency when sentencing my brother. His incarceration would be a major loss of valuable time from his family who need him and extreme sadness for all those who are in his life.

Respectfully,

Barbara Walsh Monahan

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